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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

In response to the pending final Office Action, mailed January 20, 2004 (Paper No. 1122004), please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

-amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims in section a);

Finally, reconsideration is requested in view of the remarks set forth in section b).

Applicants also submit a Notice of Appeal.

A one-month extension is requested for this response.